Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended.

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 19-23 and 25 have been amended. Claims 5, 9-18, 24 and 26 have been

cancelled. Claims 27-30 have been added. Therefore, claims 1-4, 6-8, 19-23 and 25 are

presented for examination.

In the Office Action, claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being

anticipated by Multer et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,671,757). Applicants submit that the present

claims are patentable over Multer.

Multer discloses a system for synchronizing devices which can be coupled to a

network. See Multer at Abstract. Multer further discloses using a "change log" that

describes a series of sync transactions for the system to perform on the device. See Multer at

col. 12, ll. 27-28. The system also includes a delta module which performs the

synchronization operations based on triggers such as when to sync and how to sync. See

Multer at col. 13, ll. 7-9. Some of these triggers include: manually triggering when a user

presses the "sync" button or time-based triggers. See Multer at col. 35, ll. 13-22.

Claim 1 of the present application recites combining a first message transaction

update and a second message transaction update into a batch transaction update if the one or

more of message transactions have occurred and based on a set of batch processing

parameters. Applicants submit that Multer does not disclose of reasonably suggest such a

feature. Multer discloses synchronizing devices using a change log, however, Multer fails to

disclose of reasonably suggest combining a first message transaction update and a second

message transaction update into a batch transaction update if the one or more of message

transactions have occurred and based on a set of batch processing parameters. Therefore, claim 1 is patentable over Multer.

Claims 2-4 and 6-8 depend from claim 1 and include additional features. Therefore, claims 2-4 and 6-8 are also patentable over Multer.

Claim 19 recites batch processing logic to combine a first message transaction update and a second message transaction update into a batch transaction update, the combining based on one or more batch processing parameters. Thus, for reasons described above with respect to claim 1, claim 19 is also patentable over Multer. Because claims 20-23 and 25 depend from claim 19 and contain additional features, claims 20-23 and 25 are also patentable over Multer.

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.
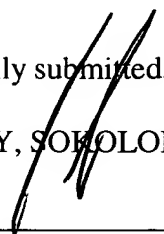
The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

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